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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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10 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

11 Plaintiff,

12 vs.

13 ALPINE LAND & RESERVOIR COMPANY
14 a corporation, et al,

15 Defendant.

IN EQUITY
3:73-CV-00183-LDG

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17 ORDER APPROVING WATER MASTER'S BUDGET FOR 2019-2020;
18 CREATING AN ASSESSMENT TO REPLENISH THE FUND HERETOFORE
19 ESTABLISHED TO PAY THE EXPENSE OF CONDUCTING
20 THE WATER MASTER'S OFFICE, APPORTIONING THE COSTS
21 THEREOF, PROVIDING THE MANNER AND METHOD OF
22 COLLECTION THEREOF, AND DIRECTING THE DISTRIBUTION
23 OF THE WATERS OF THE CARSON RIVER WHEN NECESSARY

24 BE IT REMEMBERED that the petition of CHAD BLANCHARD,
25 Water Master appointed herein to administer the Final Decree
26 entered on December 18, 1980, asking that an assessment be
27 created to replenish the fund heretofore established to pay
28 the expenses of conducting the Office of the Water Master for
the period from October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020, and for

such other action as might seem meet and proper in the
premises, having been filed with the Clerk of this Court on
December __, 2019, and proper notice having been given to all
parties of the filing of said petition, and all parties having
the opportunity to enter objections thereto, and no objections
having been entered by any party to the said petition and
proposed budget and good cause appearing,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. That the budget submitted by the Water Master as
part of his petition, is hereby approved, and the Water Master
is hereby authorized and directed to pay to himself as Water
Master and his staff the salary indicated in said budget, to
employ assistants as may be necessary, and to pay all
necessary expenses incurred in administering the Final Decree
issued herein, as provided for in said budget.

2. That in order to provide a means for the payment of
further expense of conducting the Water Master's Office,
particularly for the period from October 1, 2019 to September
30, 2020, there is hereby created an assessment in the sum of
THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000.00).

3. That the water users within the Truckee-Carson
Irrigation District, by and through the Truckee-Carson
Irrigation District, pay to the Water Master one-fifth (1/5)
of the said assessment, to wit, the sum of SEVENTY THOUSAND

DOLLARS (\$70,000.00), said payment to be made on or before
1 April 30, 2020.

2 4. That the balance of said assessment be assessed
3 against all of the remaining water users on the Carson River,
4 subject to the jurisdiction of this Court, on a prorata basis
5 of FOUR DOLLARS AND 50 CENTS (\$4.50) per acre according to the
6 water righted acreage possessed by said water users, said
7 payments to be made to the Water Master on or before April 30,
8 2020, it being provided, however, that the minimum charge
9 assessed against any water right holder shall not be less than
10 FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$45.00).
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13 5. That the Clerk of this Court give notice of the
14 required payments to be made by each water user by mailing a
15 copy of this order and the notice annexed hereto to each
16 attorney appearing of record for the plaintiff and sundry
17 defendants in this cause within five (5) days of the entry of
18 this order; the Water Master is further directed to give such
19 notice to the parties hereto and their successors and assigns
20 by publishing a copy of the notice annexed hereto in the
21 following newspapers: Nevada Appeal, P.O. Box 2288, Carson
22 City, Nevada, 89701; Record-Courier, P.O. Box 2288, Carson
23 City, Nevada 89702-2288; Lahontan Valley News, P.O. Box 1297,
24 Fallon, Nevada 89407-1297 and Mason Valley News, P.O. Box 841,
25 Yerington, Nevada 89447, once a week for two (2) consecutive
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weeks.

1 6. That the prorata amounts so assessed against the
2 water right holders on the Carson River, on the basis of the
3 water righted acreage possessed by said water users, shall
4 become and be a lien against said water righted lands until
5 paid, and that the Water Master be, and hereby is, directed to
6 enforce the collection of said assessments, together with a
7 reasonable late fee not less than TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00), in the
8 manner provided by law, and is further ordered to cut off
9 water deliveries from any water user who is in default in any
10 said required payments.
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12 7. That the Water Master, CHAD BLANCHARD, be and hereby
13 is, directed to continue in effect the surety bond in the sum
14 of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) heretofore provided
15 pursuant to his order of appointment for the faithful
16 performance of his duties as custodian of such funds and the
17 property that may be in his care.
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19 8. That the Water Master's report and audit for the
20 fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, shall be filed by
21 January 15, 2021. The Water Master's report and audit for the
22 fiscal year ending September 30, 2019 is hereby approved as
23 filed.
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25 9. That the operation and administration of the Water
26 Master's Office in administering the provisions of the Final
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Decree for the period from October 1, 2018 to September 30,
2019 is hereby approved.

10. That the Water Master begin the distribution of the waters of the Carson River under said Final Decree on such date as the Water Master determines that the distribution of said water under his authority is necessary.

11. That the Water Master is directed to create a funded account pursuant to existing Personnel and Benefits Policy to cover the cost of continuing health insurance on qualified personnel, upon their retirement, and that the cost shall be included in the Water Master's Budget each year until such time as the earned benefit is exhausted.

DATED this 7th day of April 2020.


DISTRICT JUDGE